

## General Assembly

## Committee Bill No. 5121

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LCO No. **5639** \*05639HB05121ENV\*

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

## AN ACT CREATING AN ACCOUNT WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE REMEDIATION OF ABANDONED MINES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2007) (a) There is established an
- 2 account to be known as the "remediation of abandoned mines account"
- 3 which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General
- Fund. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner
- 5 of Environmental Protection for the purposes of grants to property
- 6 owners to pay for or reimburse the costs, expenses and other
- 7 obligations incurred or that will be incurred for the remediation of
- 8 abandoned mines located on commercial or residential property.
- 9 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may adopt 10 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the 11 general statutes, that set forth the criteria for such grants, the method 12 of application, and the process for approval of such application.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2007 New section
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## Statement of Purpose:

To create an account within the General Fund for the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to pay for the remediation of abandoned mines.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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